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APRIL/MAY 2011 CLINICAL SKILLS EXAMINATION

- 1st weekend (April 1* - 3, 2011) - Boston*, Chicago, Columbus, Fullerton, Memphis
- 2nd weekend (April 15* - 17, 2011) - Berkeley, Birmingham, Philadelphia, Portland*, San Juan, Tahlequah
- 3rd weekend (April 30 - May 1, 2011) - Big Rapids, Bloomington, Ft. Lauderdale, Houston, New York, St. Louis

***All sites begin on Saturday except for Boston & Portland, which begin on Friday.**

Candidates must report for check-in and the Candidate Orientation at the first time listed on the verification letter (<https://www.optometry.org/verification/>); the exam session ends at the second time listed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information regarding the CSE can be found on our website:

http://www.optometry.org/pdf/contents/Clinical_Skills.pdf. **Candidates are expected to carefully and thoroughly review the information contained at this link prior to arrival at the test center. Most of this information will not be repeated during the on-site Candidate Orientation.**

IDENTIFICATION FORM REQUIRED

To be admitted to the test center, you must present an acceptable form of picture identification that includes **both a photograph and a signature**. The **only** acceptable forms of identification are:

- A valid driver's license or an official photo ID issued by the government of the state or province where you reside.
- A valid passport.
- A valid student identification card from an accredited school or college of optometry, provided this ID card includes **both a photograph and signature embedded in the card**.
- In order to be considered valid, **the ID must match the name on the roster for the exam**. If the name does not match, a Candidate may be denied access to the exam. To submit a name change, click here: <https://www.optometry.org/pdf/namechange.pdf>. Your online profile (<https://www.optometry.org/profile/>) will be updated once the NBEO records are updated.

ID Forms from membership organizations or clubs are not permissible for admission to any National Board test.

TEST SECURITY

This examination is being administered to fulfill certain licensure requirements for the participating state boards. The National Board takes seriously its responsibilities to assure that Candidates are assessed only on their ability. To avoid any collaboration between Candidates during a session or breaks between sessions, no discussion will be allowed between Candidates during these times. Any question(s) that you may have must be addressed directly to the Chief Examiner or a member of the examination staff. The National Board reserves the right to dismiss any Candidate from any examination session if this condition is breached.

CANCELLATION OF EXAMINATION

If it is necessary to cancel the Clinical Skills Examination due to circumstances beyond the control of the National Board (such as severe weather conditions or power outages), the examination will be rescheduled at the earliest opportunity and with the same general schedule. If local conditions suggest that the examination may be cancelled, it will be the Candidate's responsibility to consult the NBEO web site, www.optometry.org, and/or call (800) 969-3926 for a recorded message regarding any examination schedule change.

TEST CENTERS

Please click here for a list of the test centers for Part III-[CSE Test Centers](#).

SCORES

Once scores are released and able to be viewed online (<https://www.optometry.org/scores/>), we will immediately post an announcement on our homepage (<http://www.optometry.org/>) under "News and Notes"; scores are not available until this announcement is made. Scores will be available for Candidates to view no later than **June 20, 2011**.

COLLEGE LIAISONS

All questions regarding policies and practices of the National Board are to be directed to the College Liaison Administrator on your campus. Their names can be found on the NBEO web site (<http://www.optometry.org/liaisons.cfm>). If this person is unable to answer your questions, (s)he will contact the National Board office for clarification.

THE 2011 NATIONAL BOARD EXAMINATIONS

The 2011 National Board examinations are the culmination of many hours of work by hundreds of people, including: faculty, state board members, and private practitioners who originally submitted items; Examination Development Committee members; National Board staff; and the Board of Directors. Every attempt has been made to present a relevant and valid examination based on the Content Outline as published on the NBEO web site (<http://www.optometry.org/>).

Pass/fail standards on National Board examinations are set by criterion-referenced procedures. Consequently, you will be assessed on the knowledge base that you have developed, rather than on your performance compared to the other people taking the examinations at the same time.

Everyone involved in the preparation of these examinations extends their collective best wishes for your success.